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Dear Mr. Sghia-Hughes:

www.massdevelopment.com

On May 18, 2006 the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency gave preliminary approval to issue a revenue bond on behalf of AVB Acton FS, Inc. The proposed project would be located in Acton, Massachusetts at the address(es) listed on the attached summary included for your information. The bond would be issued pursuant to Chapter 23G and 40D of the General Laws.

Section 12(2) of Chapter 40D requires that the MassDevelopment (successor to the MIFA) board "shall consult with the appropriate local and regional planning agencies to ascertain the relationship of a proposed project to any existing state, local or regional comprehensive plan."

The purpose of this letter is to notify you of the project and to request that if the proposed project conflicts with an existing local or regional comprehensive plan, you so advise us. If you would like further information on the project, or if you would like the Board to

consider any comments you may have prior to our considering Final Approval on the

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Lieutenant Governor

RANCH C. KIMBALL

Chairman

Sincerely. Robert L. Culver

President/CEO

Steven J. Chilton Senior Vice President

Enclosure: Summary

cc:

Goulston & Storrs 400 Atlantic Avenue Boston, MA 02110

application, please give me a call.

Attn: Steven Schwartz, Esq.

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Meeting Date: May 18, 2006

AVB ACTON FS, INC.

REQUEST:

To assist the applicant in financing an affordable housing project,

approval of the proposed project for a MassDevelopment Tax-Exempt Bond

issue is requested.

This project will need an allocation of state volume cap from the Executive

Office for Administration & Finance.

Borrower:

User(s): Same

AVB Acton FS, Inc.

2900 Eisenhower Avenue, Suite 300

Alexandria, VA 22314

PROJECT LOCATION:

80-82 Nagog Park Drive Acton, MA 01720

PROJECT:

Proposed is the construction of 380 rental housing units to be known as Avalon Acton. The facility will consist of ten garden style ¾ story split buildings and one double-loaded corridor ¾ story split building on 68 acres of land. The facility will consist of 192 one-bedroom units and 188 two-bedroom units. Seventy-six units will be designated affordable and will be leased to households with incomes equal to or less than 50% of the area median income.

GUIDELINE ISSUES:

None

SOURCES & USES:

Sources:

MassDevelopment tax-exempt bond	\$45,000,000
Cash Equity	25,458,203
Total	\$70,458,203

Uses:

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Construction	\$47,532,925
Land	13,300,000
Capitalized interest	2,434,599
Developer overhead	2,333,966
Survey and permits	1,119,713
Bond Issuance costs	1,000,000
Easement rights	874,000
Architecture & engineering	625,000
Marketing & Rent up	500,000
Legal	375,000
Insurance	175,000
Real Estate Taxes	125,000
Miscellaneous soft costs	<u>63,000</u>
Total	\$70,458,203

BOND AMOUNT:

\$45,000,000

EMPLOYMENT: Current employment: 0
Projected new employment: 10

SPONSOR PROFILE: AvalonBay Communities, Inc. is a real estate investment trust focused on

owning, operating, and developing quality apartment communities. Target market areas are the Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, Midwest, Pacific Northwest, Northern California and Southern California. As of December 31, 2005, AvalonBay owned or held interest in 158 apartment communities containing

45,474 apartment homes in ten states and the District of Columbia.

AvalonBay Communities, Inc.'s common stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange and the Pacific Exchange. AvalonBay was first incorporated in

1978, and currently maintains offices in California, Connecticut,

Massachusetts, Illinois, New York, New Jersey, Washington and Virginia.

PUBLIC PURPOSE
BENEFIT:
The proposed project will provide 380 new units of housing, with 76 units affordable to households earning up to 50% of the area median income.

PRINCIPALS: Bryce Blair, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Timothy J. Naughton, President

BOARD ACTION: Make the statutory findings and approve the resolution

Authorizing Official Action for a MassDevelopment

Tax-Exempt Bond.